

(Warren, OH) U.S. Congressman Tim Ryan (OH-17) commented today on word that Severstal Warren will return to service its blast furnace, steelmaking, and hot strip mill facilities late in the first quarter of 2010:

"This is fantastic news for our local economy and workforce. Severstal Warren is one of the largest employers in the 17<sup>th</sup> Congressional District – the reactivation of its local operations will not only return skilled laborers to their jobs, but will directly and positively impact the region's economic health through increased income and corporate taxes, water and sewer fees, and ancillary job creation within our local supply network. The return of steelmaking at Severstal is one more sign that President Obama's Stimulus Bill is generating the demand necessary to jumpstart a sluggish national economy and improve the local business climate through future opportunities in green manufacturing. I couldn't be more excited about this announcement and look to provide whatever assistance possible as Severstal Warren resumes its operations."